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SUBJECT: BELGIAN MARITIME AGREEMENT WITH RFC

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1. WE HAVE ACQUIRED INFORMALLY FROM BELGIAN FFONOFF OFFICIAL A COPY OF THE FRENCH TEXT OF BILATERAL MARITIME AGREEMENT SIGNED AT PEKING ON APRIL 20. COPIES BEING FORWARDED UNDER COVER OF AIRGRAM TO ALL ADDRESSEES OF THIS CABLE. IF DEPARTMENT UNDERTAKES TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPY.

2. AGREEMENT WILL NOT ENTER INTO FORCE UNTIL BOTH BELGIUM AND PRC COMPLETE APPROVAL FORMALITIES REQUIRED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONAL LAWS. JUDGING FROM OUR SUPERFICIAL READING, THIS AGREEMENT MERELY CONSTITUTES A FRAMEWORK FOR MARITIME RELATIONS. IT CONTAINS NO PROVISIONS RELATING TO CARGO SHARING OR SETTING OF FREIGHT RATES. IN GENERAL TERMS, IT PROMISES MOST FAVORED NATION TREATMENT, MUTUAL ACCESS TO PORTS (WITHOUT SPECIFYING WHICH ONES), AND FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE TO ENCOURAGE BILATERAL MARITIME TRADE. FIRESTONE

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